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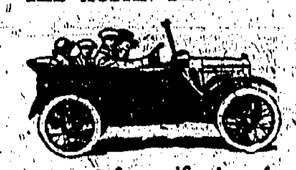

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RABIES SCARE.

"REALLY NO REASON FOR ALARM."

SOME HYDROPHOBIA FACTS.

How You Can Make Your Dog Safe.

What measures ought to be taken to set at rest the public mind regarding a possible outbreak of rabies?

A suggestion worthy of every consideration, particularly in view of the source from which it emanates, was made by Mr. W. J. H. Mackenzie, the Colony's Veterinary Surgeon, to a "China Mail" representative who approached him on the matter.

A precaution which should absolutely set their minds at rest, he suggested, would be for the Peak residents to agree to have their dogs rendered innocuous by the injection of a preparation which is not in the Colony owing to the absence of demand but which could be secured with little trouble. The injection would have to be renewed every twelve months.

In case there should be misapprehension in the minds of any it might be stated that in the course of his day's work Mr. Mackenzie is not always to be found administering treatment to animals of varying sizes and degrees of fitness. No sectional diagrams of equine or canine interiors or exteriors adorn the walls of the neat little office in the Post Office buildings into which the reporter was ushered and Mr. Mackenzie, busy at work at the office desk, looked not the least bit different from a busy business man.

As reassuring as words can be was Mr. Mackenzie's reply to a general question as to the rabies scare: "There is really no reason for alarm. The only diagnosed cases of rabies apart from Mr. Scott's dog were the two at Seymour Terrace."

"There are many others under observation are there not?

"Oh yes, the quarantine station is full to overflowing with them. I have had to make use of my office down there to accommodate them and we are making use of an outhouse."

"Would you say that the limit of the time for the symptons to develop has now passed?"

"No I cannot. It varies such a great deal. Sometimes they develop in two or three weeks but it is often very much longer. One dog which was imported into England from Khartum and was kept in isolation, including the time it was in quarantine for about ten months, developed symptons just as it was about to be released.

Mad Dog Bites.

"Is there such variation in the cases of human beings bitten by an infected dog?"

"There is a variation but it depends entirely on the extent and localisation of the bite. Infection taken through a bite in the fleshy part of the thumb or the lower part of the face spreads through the system much more quickly than in the case of bites on other parts of the body. It is surprising to me how the brakesman, whom Mr. Scott's dog bit on the lip, went for three weeks without showing signs of infection.

"Are there many people undergoing the Pasteur treatment in Hongkong just as present?"

"Quite a number. Advisedly when bitten by a dog which lays itself open in any way to suspicion they go along for treatment and bring the dogs for observation."

"Is the treatment at all painful?"

"Not now. It used to be because the solution was very thick and it was difficult to inject without opening up the arm to a large extent. It usually leaves the patient with a heavy head and the third day is said to be the most trying one. The injections are spread over a period of twelve days."

"And what are the chances of the treatment not being effective if the disease has already been contracted?"

"About one in a thousand."

"And is the solution prepared locally?"

Rabbit's Spines.

"Yes, we have all the facilities in the Colony now. At one time we were entirely dependent on Saigon for its provision and hydrophobia patients had to be packed off there post haste. Now, however, we prepare our own."

"Is the process a very lengthy one."

"Not, as such preparations go although it will no doubt surprise you to learn that it is spread over a period of about twelve months."

"It certainly seem a long time. What is the reason."

"The solution is got from the pulped spinal chord of a rabbit and the first part of the process is the grafting on to the brain of a rabbit of a portion of the brain of a rabies infected animal. That animal has to die and from its spinal chord a solution is made which is injected into another animal. This animal has to die and the process goes on until by continued experiment which leaves no possible shadow of doubt it is proved that a sufficiently attentuated solution is produced."

"And what happens when for some reason an animal treated is not a suitable subject."

"Which often happens. Several are done at once and the risks are thus minimised but sometimes they are all unsuitable and then a year's work may be spoiled."

TOWN BURIED.

Terrible Disaster In Java.

EARTHQUAKE'S TOLL.

PEOPLE FLEE FROM DANGER TO DEATH.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, December 4.

There have been further earthquakes at Wonosobo, in Java, which suffered severely only a few weeks ago.

In the latest visitation, the populace fled to a neighbouring native town when the first shocks were felt. They were fleeing from danger to death as the native town was completely buried.

The number of deaths is not yet known.

ARMS FOR CHINA.

GERMAN STEAMER EN ROUTE.

ACTION BY DUTCH AUTHORITIES.

Permission To Enter Java Refused.

The two telegrams below indicate in the fullest sense that Powers interested in the Far East and in peace in China especially, are at last coming to realize that drastic steps are necessary to prevent arms being imported into China from Europe.

Case of s.s. "Normark."

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, December 4.

The Captain of the German steamer "Normark," which has 37,000 rifles on board consigned to North China, signalled his intention to enter the port of Java.

The Dutch authorities, however, refused permission for the vessel to enter the port.

Netherlands Joins.

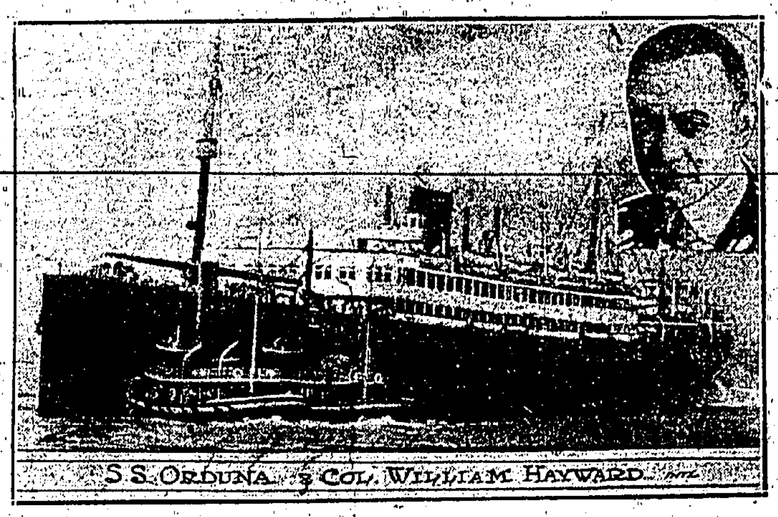
(Reuter's Service.)

THE HAGUE, Dec. 3.

The Netherlands Government has accepted the invitation of the League of Nations to participate in the conference next Spring, to discuss the draft treaty for the supervision of international traffic in arms and munitions.

[Note: This message is of especial interest as it throws light on the action of the Netherlands Indies Government in refusing permission to the German steamer "Normark," to enter ports in the Dutch East Indies, as telegraphed by our correspondent in the message above. Ed. "China Mail."]

BRITISH LINER NOT TO BE FORFEITED.



British steamers taking illicit liquor into American ports are not to be forfeited if the master and crew can be absolved from blame.

This is the outcome of the spectacular action brought by the United States Government for the forfeiture of the British Royal Mail liner "Orduna" because of alleged infractions of the prohibition and narcotic laws. Details of the decision, which was not cabled from New York at the time, are given in the latest papers from Home.

The American Government's complaint laid by Col. William Hayward, Prohibition Commissioner, cited 45 alleged grounds for forfeiture, but the judge declared it would be "a most unnecessarily harsh interpretation of the statutes," which no court had ever adopted, to forfeit a vessel because of the conduct of trespassers or of persons having no right of possession.

The situation would have been different, he observed, had members of the crew smuggled liquor with the consent of the master. To incur forfeiture the vessel must be in the possession of a guilty person with the consent of the owner or his agent.

The claim for forfeiture was therefore dismissed.

When the "Orduna" was first detained the cables mentioned that she would be released under a $1,000,000 bond. This was later paid.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

SLIGHT PROGRESS NOTED AT GENEVA.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, December 4.

The First Opium Confereuce, today, approved the revised draft agreement (clause 6) which led to Anglo-Japanese Differences. Now it reads: The export of raw or prepared opium from any territory, whereinto opium is imported for the purpose of smoking, shall be prohibited transit or transhipment. Prepared opium shall be prohibited transit or transhipment. Raw opium, consigned to destinations outside the country's territory, shall also be prohibited unless an importation certificate which is acceptable as affording sufficient guarantees against the possibility of illegitimate use is produced by the Government of the importing country."

The Conference proceeded to discuss the terms of the protocol, annexed to the agreement, as regards smuggling to which Dr. Alfred Sze objected. The discussion ultimately was adjourned, principally because of the objection of the Chinese delegation to the present wording of the clause dealing with difficulties in regard to application measures decried "in countries where the contraband trade equals, or even surpasses, the extent of legitimate trade."

Although not specifically mentioned, China is one of those countries; hence Dr. Sze's objection.

The date of the next meeting of the Conference is not yet fixed.

GERMAN ELECTIONS.

CAMPAIGN NOW DRAWING TO CLOSE.

(Reuter's Service.)

BERLIN, December 3.

The electoral campaign now drawing to a close has yielded uncommonly little excitement. No party produced an effective slogan, while the weariness of repeated elections is expected to be reflected in a small poll. Portents at the present time point to a continuation of the coalition of the Centre, Democrats and Socialists with the probable continued inclusion of Herr Stresemann as the leader of the Peoples' Party. In that event Herr Marx will probably retain the chancellorship. Neither the Communists nor the Ludendorffists boast of the belief that their hour is yet come to strike, while the socialists contemplate gaining at the expense of the Communists.

REVAL INSURGENTS.

DEATH PENALTY FATE OF SEVENTEEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

REVAL, December 3.

Seven more insurgents out of the seventeen, tried by court-martial for having been concerned in the revolt on December 1, have been executed.

Ten More Shot.

RIGA, December 3.

Ten more Communists has been court-martialled and shot at Reval.

SHIPPING DISPUTE.

TRADE UNIONISTS BLOCKADE FREMANTLE.

COURT INJUNCTION SOUGHT.

(Reuter's Service.)

MELBOURNE, December 3.

According to the "Herald," the Rt. Hon. Mr. S. M. Bruce, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, has telegraphed to the Premier of Western Australia,

Hon. Sir James Mitchell, urging him to provide protection to Commonwealth officers engaged in essential services" at Fremantle, which is blockaded by Trade Unionists.

Shipowners, in an interview with Mr. Bruce, stressed the seriousness of the strike. Mr. Bruce did not indicate what steps Government would take.

Appeal To Courts.

Oversea Shipping Companies are seeking a High Court injunction to restrain the Melbourne Waterside Workers Federation from continuing the overtime strike. Similar action is being taken in Sydney.

Sailings Cancelled.

MELBOURNE, December 3.

Shipping companies here have cancelled all sailings to Western Australia.

A message from Perth states that the Government of Western Australia indignantly deny the report that Mr. Walsh, President of the Seamen's Union, has been invited to visit Western Australia.

A Fremantle message states the strikers did not interfere with shipping movements to-day, and several steamers have been berthed.

PACIFIC MAIL.

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED.

AID TO SHIPPERS.

The Pacific Mail are in receipt of a cable from their San Francisco Office advising that the schedule of their San Francisco—New York Service has been changed to fit in with arrivals of their Trans-Pacific steamers. The time taken from San Francisco to New York will be twenty-two days; the New York steamers will leave San Francisco three days after arrival of the Trans-Pacific steamers.

Under this new arrangement, cargo will be landed in New York in forty-eight days after leaving Hongkong, thereby making quicker time than any of the direct steamers.

When steamers leave Hongkong, San Francisco will be advised by cable the amount of cargo for the New York steamer to connect with the Pacific steamer so that space will be held ready for the cargo on arrival.

In this way cargo will be handled promptly and will not be delayed in transit.

IMPERIAL WIRELESS.

ANOTHER STEP IN "CHAIN" MADE.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAPETOWN, December 3.

Direct wireless communication between Poldhu and the South African receiving station at Milnerton was established at 12.05 this morning, Milnerton receiving a message from Sir E. H. Walton to General Hertzog.

PRESIDENT JACKSON.

SAILS EARLY TO-MORROW MORNING.

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